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(Atty. Docket No.: 98-541-K)

First Named Inventor: Towne)

Application No.: 09/800,689)

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Title: Automated Immunohistochemical
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Formulations)

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

The applicants respectfully petition for a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed May 1, 2002. With this extension, the applicants' response is due on or before November 1, 2002. The requisite extension fee of \$920.00 accompanies this petition. The Commissioner is authorized to debit any underpayment or credit any overpayment of fees associated with this application to Deposit Account 13-2490.

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Dated: November 1, 2002

Respectfully,

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